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E.O. 11652, GDS

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1. CONGRESSMAN GREEN, CHAIRMAN OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRADE, COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS, HAS RESTATED TO THE DEPARTMENT HIS REQUEST FOR MONTHLY REPORTING ON EMIGRATION FROM ROMANIA. SPECIFICALLY, HE IS ASKING ON A MONTHLY BASIS:

- (A) NUMBERS OF VISAS ISSUED FOR DEPARTURES TO THE US;
- (B) NUMBERS OF APPROVED DEPARTURES TO THE US;
- (C) NUMBERS OF ACTUAL DEPARTURES FOR ISRAEL;
- (D) NUMBERS OF APPROVED DEPARTURES FOR ISRAEL;
- (E) IF AVAILABLE, SIGNIFICANT DATA ON DEPARTURES AND APPROVALS TO OTHER COUNTRIES.

2. WE HAVE EXPLAINED THAT THE INFORMATION REQUESTED IN (E) ABOVE IS NOT REGULARLY AVAILABLE TO US. HOWEVER, IF EMBASSY COULD PREVAIL ON THE GOR TO PROVIDE STATISTICS ON
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OVERALL EMIGRATION, THIS WOULD OF COURSE BE WELCOME.

3. WE ARE ALREADY GETTING FROM YOU REGULARLY DATA REQUESTED (A) AND (B) ABOVE, WHICH WE WILL CONTINUE TO RELAY TO CONGRESSMAN GREEN EACH MONTH. WE WILL ALSO OF

COURSE BE RESPONDING ON A MORE FREQUENT BASIS TO HIS AND OTHER CONGRESSIONAL REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ON SPECIFIC CASES.

4. WE NOW NEED INFORMATION TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS (C) AND (D) ON JEWISH EMIGRATION, SPECIFICALLY NUMBERS OF APPROVALS AND DEPARTURES FOR THE MONTHS OF JULY AND AUGUST, AND FOR EACH MONTH THEREAFTER.

5. YOU MAY, IF YOU THINK IT APPROPRIATE AND USEFUL, INFORM THE GOR THAT THE INFORMATION WE SEEK IS AT CONGRESSMAN GREEN'S SPECIFIC REQUEST.

6. WE REGRET THE CONTINUING BURDEN FOR EMBASSY BUCHAREST OF THESE AND SIMILAR REQUESTS. YOU CAN BE CONFIDENT THAT THE INFORMATION YOU PROVIDE SERVES A MOST USEFUL PURPOSE.

7. FOR TEL AVIV: DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION EMBASSY TEL AVIV MIGHT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN FROM THE GOI ON THE FLOW OF JEWISH EMIGRATION FROM ROMANIA TO ISRAEL. A PERIODIC REPORT (MONTHLY IF POSSIBLE) ON ARRIVALS WOULD BE PARTICULARLY HELPFUL. KISSINGER

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